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Applicant: Alcorn et al.
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For: "Method And Apparatus Using Geographical Position And Universal Time
Determination Means To Provide Authenticated, Secure, On-Line Communication
Between Remote Gaming Locations (As Amended)"

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed September 13, 1999, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Specification

Change the title to --Method And Apparatus Using Geographical Position And Universal Time Determination Means To Provide Authenticated, Secure, On-Line Communication Between Remote Gaming Locations--.

In the Claims

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Once amended) An electronic gaming system for enabling one or more player terminals, disposed at locations remote from a host server, to communicate with the host server in a secured transactional mode wherein the host server is informed as to the location of the player terminals so that it can permit or deny game play based in part on geopolitical or geographical restrictions, comprising:

a communications medium;

at least one player terminal apparatus disposed at a first location and including